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Shalom Everyone,

This issue turned out to be far larger than expected, a few things had to be left out to keep the page count down to 28, to avoid paying the extra postage. Among the things cut from this issue is quiz #5. Don't despair, it will be in the next issue and Brent McKee is thinking of not participating to allow someone else a chance at winning free issues.

In Israel, on the south slope of Mount Zion, archeologists believe they have found the gate through which Jesus left Jerusalem after the Last Supper. Volunteer researchers and students found what they believe to be remnants of the gate while excavating a site along the walls of Jerusalem's Old City. Ancient coins and pottery scattered near the gate prove the ruins date to the time of Christ.

All along the outside of the Old City, the National Park Service has turned archeology sites (once excavations are finished) into parks to allow access to the ancient city.

The Israeli elections have come and gone and as expected the deadlock between the two major parties remained. With the Israeli public virtually divided into equal two camps, one favouring a harder line against the Palestinians (the right wingers) and the other favouring negotiations (the left wingers), any other result would have been a major surprise.

If there were any surprises in the election, it was that both major parties (Labour & Likud) lost support while their respected allies made gains, the right wing religious parties gaining the most. As has been the case in every election since the creation of the state, the smaller parties hold the balance of power and therefore a disproportionate amount of influence in relation to their size.

A fire bomb, two days before the elections, which killed four Israelis, was probably enough to tip the scales in favour of Shamir's Likud Party edging out Peres and the Labour Party, for the right to try and form the next government. If Shamir succeeds in forming a government with the other right wing parties then the hardlines will get their way in bringing in new and tougher policies against the Palestinians. Hopefully he will fail and the two major parties will once again through necessity form another national unity government, which would mean we can expect no major changes (which is better than a shift to the right).

The Canadian elections are only a few weeks away and yours truly is still undecided on how I am going to vote. All I know is that it will be anyone but the Conservatives. Right now, I don't care who gets in as long as the Conservatives do not win a MAJORITY. Actually to be honest I don't want to see any party be in the position of forming a majority government. I don't trust any of the parties to govern alone. I really think the best thing for Canada, right now, is a minority government to prevent the repeat of the abuses of the last couple of governments.

Shalom.

Sam

GETOUTANDVOTEANDHELPPREVENTTHEREELECTIONOFFLYINGBRIANANDTHECONSERVATIVEPARTY

-IDDISH PROVERB #60:

A ligher heit rich seinen ligen aad. lang ein bis er glaubt sich allein.
(A liar tells his story so often that he gets to believe it himself.)

LETTER COLUMN

Brent McKee

Re. Ron Brown's letter. I feel the CDO needs a couple of things.

1. Its own journal, preferably one which would print, in addition to a variety of articles, game starts and endings in Canadian zines. Those would of course also be reported to the BNC and MNC people in the U.S.
2. A certain amount of promotion to let people on the outside of Dipdom know that the CDO exists. An ad in the Canadian Wargamers Journal, for example, would let who may play Diplomacy ftf, know that there is a place where they can find out about PBM.

What we don't need is to totally divorce ourselves from the organization (small informal o, not capital election of officers O), because that will lead to anarchy.

((Doug, has/is starting up a CDO newsletter (From The Chair). Another method of advertising would be to distribute flyers to gameshops.))

Conrad von Metzke

Not being Canadian, I really have no direct business getting involved with the CDO discussions and related topics. Still, I'm going to put my foot in it for a moment. It seems to me that Canadian players are entitled to do whatever they wish about hobby organization and similar items, and if they wish to limit their participants to Canadians only, that's fine. If you want to rehouse your own orphans, well and good; if Rod thinks he has some authority to override any actions you may take on your own, that is garbage, but I suspect he intended to convey merely that his activities are not necessarily restricted to south of the border. The impression I get is that you are talking about nationalized services because the response from the States is so consistently poor. If so, then perhaps it is the level of services in general that ought to be addressed, rather than any national implications. One example: I find the MNC services to be superb these days, and I note that "The Home Office" scored beautifully among Canadian voters in the RP. So whyever would you want to override this? On the other hand, DW's lack of Canadian coverage is bemoaned; I agree, it's terrible. So who wants to be DW's Canadian correspondent, and guarantee a worthwhile column delivered to Larry in time for each issue - he in turn to guarantee that he'd cut something else if he had to in order to print it.

((As a member of the CDO, you have every right in getting involved in CDO discussions. The current outlash against the American services is not because of poor service but of insensitivity towards Canadians. For example, I firmly believe that even though DipCon is the North American Championship, it will never be allowed to come north across the border.))

You've asked me to clarify my feelings on negotiations with terrorists and in particular on giving in to their demands. It depends upon the demands, the terrorists, the situation...in short, there is no pat answer. Quite obviously some demands cannot possibly be allowed; imagine if you will a demand to drop a nuclear bomb on New York. On the other hand, one common demand that is routinely agreed to already is that to provide safe passage after the hostages are released. Most demands fall somewhere in between, and it is entirely possible that giving in to some of them sometimes will be thought the best course. What's wrong with that? Obviously negotiators will take into account such things as whether acquiescence will encourage similar acts, as they do now. But the real point, I think, is that in true political terrorist actions it is not the success or failure of the mission that makes any difference, it is the statement made by the attempt.

((I've conceded that negotiations is an option that shouldn't be discarded lightly, but I still firmly believe that if you do give in you are only encouraging further acts of terrorism.))

Very quickly on the issue of using Holocaust data for scientific purposes today. It seems patently obvious to me that we use it for all it's worth. If we wish to make a memorial to those who were tortured in the process of data collection, fine. But to waste the data is absurd; what are we supposed to do then, research all over again, torturing different types of animals this time?

((It may be absurd to waste the data but if a relative of yours was one of the ones experimented upon, and use of the data was giving legitimacy to the methods used to obtain it, you ~~wouldn't~~ think it was so absurd!))

Derek Levison

Glad to get your zine. I am a graduate student in Chemistry at City U of New York and I'm also very interested in politics.

So, your zine is the first I've seen with interesting and thoughtful political discussion. I am going to try to correspond as much as possible, but you'll probably get a few letters, then not hear from me for a few weeks at a time.

I agree with your position on Nazi human research. Legitimization must NOT be given to such research, and it should be used in a way, if at all, that it won't be legitimized publicly. And American conservatives love the fact that Nazi research is being used.

((Please explain further your remark on the attitudes of conservatives.))

I personally think the Olympics are ruined, and that it is just a symptom of the state of the world today. Everyone seems to be getting paid to compete in the Olympics and that so much money is involved that the athletes are willing to take drugs. But you really can't blame them! It's only human nature to do the things they do under the pressure and stress that is put upon them to WIN. So the Olympics are ruined, but everyone is to blame.

((For me the start of the downfall of the Olympics was when politics took over. Even though the money involved in winning a medal has contributed to ruining the Olympics, I am in favour of professional athletes competing in the Games. After all, the Eastern Bloc "amateur" athletes are professional in everything but name so why should our professionals be banned.))

To Tania

Your love for your country comes through your letter and from what I've heard South Africa is extremely beautiful. However, love can be blind. The major problem I see in South Africa is that the majority of the wealth is in the hands of the whites, along with the political power. The blacks, who provide the labor in S. Africa and therefore the wealth & power of the whites, are by and large poor and have little real power in their own country. That is the problem.

Building some schools and houses and educating a few blacks is just not going to solve anything. Not that I'm against schools, housing, education. But its no substitute for the sharing of wealth & power in a country blacks as well as whites have laboured hard to build.

As for the ANC and the Western Powers wanting to divest: After years of having your people used, being poor, and not having the chance for any substantial upward mobility, there is going to be revolution. Check your history. Happens every time. And it becomes violent if no REAL progress is obtained. Now, for the U.S. & the western Europe. Well I'll stick to the U.S. The U.S. for years hasn't done anything substantial against the South African economy until about four or five years ago. That was due partly because of internal pressure here and partly because of other reasons I'm not entirely sure about. However, since then S. Africa has been largely off the U.S. television news and U.S. national newspapers. Americans have very short memories and by now I believe U.S. pressure on South Africa and on companies doing business with S.A. is law.

Will this type of pressure (disinvestment) succeed in forcing the gov't of South Africa to liberalize faster and end apartheid? My belief is that most people dislike, HATE, to be "forced" to do anything. They will resist if they are able. And for now, the gov't of South Africa is very capable of doing this. All in all, the South Africans, black & white, will have to solve their own problems and come up with a South African solution acceptable to BOTH parties. Disinvestment has become a symbol of not supporting the current apartheid system. And, right or wrong, will probably be the method used by other countries (not critically tied to the South African economy) to voice their disapproval to the current entrenched system: white-controlled power & wealth in South Africa, with the exclusion of virtually all non-whites to political power in their own country.

Whew. Now, I'll just have to duck and take cover!! And I didn't even begin to talk about how screwed up the U.S. is.

((Before power can be passed into the hands of the Blacks, they need to be educated, hence the the money that is now being spent on education.))

((By disinvesting, a company loses any influence it had in trying to improve things. Whites pick up factories/companies at bargain prices and its the Black who suffers the most. But this is what the radicals want since it will bring their goal of revolution that much closer. Sanctions have only made White South Africa stronger. They are closing ranks and the moderates are slowing losing to the right wing parties as more and more Whites realize that while their government is making reforms, the West is ignoring them and increasing the pressure.))

((You are 100% right in stating it is up to all South Africans to come up with a South African solution to a South African problem.))

((Tania, just because I made a few comments, you shouldn't let that stop you from replying.))

Mark Weidmark

I took another look at Tania Smuts' article after your phone call, and decided I should respond briefly.

She says that "most entertainment businesses have opened their doors to all races." Which ones haven't, and why?

She says "there is no discrimination in who gets the job." If this were true, South Africa would be the most forward nation on Earth. There is plenty of discrimination in Canada. I was reading in this morning's Globe and Mail that major corporations in Canada are NOT improving their record in hiring visible minorities -- women, natives or the disabled. For instance, at Air Canada, one in ten males makes over \$70,000 per year, while only one in 1,600 women makes that much. I read some time ago that in a survey of major media corporations in Canada, only 30 out of 1,700 employees were of a racial minority or disabled -- no wonder the news is slanted, when virtually all journalists are white and middle class.

Tania points out that "a lot" of companies are giving bursaries to blacks to further their education. Somehow I doubt that "a lot" would amount to even 1% of companies -- the overwhelming majority of all companies (in Canada, at least) do nothing to train their employees or encourage further education. And where is the government in this? Are you suggesting that a few companies are doing more than the government?

"The blacks that do not want to work or study or try to better themselves are making the biggest noise. Is this a racially motivated comment, harkling back to once acceptable theory that blacks are inherently lazy? How come I've never heard anyone sat the same thing about Polish Solidarity? Or any other white radical group? The fact is, when discrimination is so rampant that it is impossible to progress within a system unless you deny your own heritage (assimilate), you have anger and frustration -- at being held back. The racial minority making the biggest noise in Canada today are the aboriginal Indians, and so they should -- they have been ignored by successive governments for 111 years, and the impact of

oil megaprojects on the environment of northern Alberta has destroyed their traditional lifestyle. These people are not lazy -- they are facing genocide, and must stand up for themselves as a matter of survival.

I simply don't believe, Tania, that things get better without recognizing problems and pushing hard to change them. What has it been, 20 years since the women's Liberation movement began? And the vast majority of women, a generation latter, are still kept in low-paying clerical or service jobs. It's only expected that the men who control management are resistant to change, but women will wait forever if change is allowed at the pace men set. The problem is not a lack of education. I read yesterday, in a book written 15 years ago, that 63% of the students at an important journalism school in Toronto (Ryerson) were female, and yet today where is the women editor of a major daily newspaper? Where are the women editors of any newspapers? The problem is not education, it's not that women or any other minority lack the ability -- it's discrimination.

((I believe that far more than 1% of the companies in South Africa help further educate their workers. Companies are making big effort to further educate their employees, especially blacks since they know their future are intermingled. The government is getting help from the work place in helping educate blacks because the government doesn't have enough money. You must remember that blacks don't pay income tax so the gov't loses out on a lot of potential revenue.))

((I think the point Tania meant when she said there is no discrimination is that a qualified black will not lose out to an unqualified white, which use to happen. Did you know that as of 1986, there is no wage gap between the various races in the nursing profession.))

Whoops, I knew that would happen, Ran ... "brief" would turn into a speech -- oh yeah, I forgot to mention: VOTE for ED BROADBENT (it's the only way to stop Alan Stewart from abandoning Praxis to take up a juicy patronage job a week after the election ... what, you didn't know that Mulroney has already lined up hundreds of well-paying patronage positions to award the party faithful after another majority is returned. That's the cycle -- do what ever disgusting immoral thing you want in the first half of your term, it will be forgotten by the time the next election rolls around. The Tories learned their lesson well after watching the Liberals do it for years, and don't doubt that they will be back at the public trough for another gluttonous feed.

Sorry , Ran, there I go causing trouble again -- I suspect you're as devoted a Liberal as Stewart is a Conservative and I am an NDP'er. But don't you think the difference between the parties in terms of spending has really been eliminated? One of the big bogies thrown at the NDP year after year has been that their social programs would bury us in debt. And yet the Liberals and Conservatives have been throwing money and promises around (our taxes) like there is no tomorrow ... they're laying it on so thick that I find it hard to believe that Canadians will not wake up and realize they are being ~~bought~~ (ie. sleazy bribe) with their own money. I'd rather have someone who was going to spend us into everlasting debt with integrity, than someone who wants to do the same thing to hold power.

(My politics is weird and your wrong about me being a starch Liberal. Back in the old days (before Israel), I usually supported the NDP in provincial elections and the Liberals in federal. In Israel, I am a card carrying member of the Labour Party but in the last election (and this one if I was allowed to vote), I supported a small left wing party (Citizens' Rights Movement). I support Maggie Thatcher and if I was an American I would be voting Republican (at least for President). If my MP (Ron Stewart) was running for reelection I would be voting Conservative but since he isn't, I am still undecided between the NDP, Liberal, Christian Heritage Party. Oh yes, I support free trade.)

Your comments on the parties I totally agree with.

SADHE-HAKRAV

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ONE RING TO RULE THEM ALL, ONE RING TO FIND THEM, ONE RING TO BRING THEM ALL
AND IN DARKNESS BIND THEM.

DWARVES-Williams a esgaroth-river running, a iron hills-carnen,
a forochel-carn dum
ELVES-von Metzke a high pass-gladden fields, a gladden fields-lorien,
a elven king's halls-old forest road, f forlond holds
GANDALF-Wetmore gandalf , r bree , fe shire
GONDOR-Burnett faramir anorien-osgiliath, a anorien-osgiliath,
a antalas-druwith laur, a belfalas s a lebennin,
a lebennin holds (PATRICK LANGDON, ROSSAWACH OR DTA)
MORDOR-Anderson sauron barad dur-prodruin, 2a prodruin-minas morgul,
nazgul south ithilien-lebennin, a anduin holds,
2a south ithilien-lebennin, 2a north ithilien-osgiliath,
2a gorgoroth-murn, a wilderland-river running,
a oth-north rhun, a south rhun-dagorland,
a ered lithui-prodruin
ROHAN-Etheridge a helms deep holds, c west emnet-fangorn-wold,
c east emnet-entwash-east emnet, h eastfold holds
SARUMAN-Springer saruman , a gap of rohan holds, a hollin holds
a cardolan-minniriath
UMBAR-Venables a/f southern seat-minniriath, a haradwaith-khand,
a south gondor s a haradwaith-khand

	Supply	Centre	Chart
DWARVES	5	build 2	blu, ere, iro, ESG, CDM
ELVES	6	build 2	gha, iml, ekh, lor, FLD, GLA
GANDALF	-	-	-
GONDOR	5	build 1	lam, bel, mti, LZP , DRU, AND
MORDOR	11	build 2	bar, nur, mmo, udu, oto, obo, obo, shh, dgu, AND, LEB
ROHAN	5	build 2	hce, ego, nce, leaser, SEM, WOL
SARUMAN	4	build 1	ise, sun, udu, HOL
UMBAR	5	build 2	oit, hav, hnd, SGO, RHA
NEUTRAL	7		bne, ank, min, osg, rhu, shi, sit

DEADLINE For builds and Solinath I 2019 moves is Friday December 7, 1988.

It will take three requests for a seperation of seasons. Send in your moves
with your builds even if you ask for a seperation, just in case there isn't.

COA's exchange of addresses :

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REISS:

ROHAN-BARUMAN: Remember what Gwaihir said (p. 275) "But if Saruman has become evil, as you say, then their doom cannot be longer delayed." In the summer tongue that means that I fear better we will see out of the Gap of Rohan as per his letter of July 25th.

SARUMAN-ROHAN: You never wrote back so I had to defend myself. I couldn't afford to have an army in Gap of Rohan and a cavalry unit in Fangorn after the spring moves. Saruman is not in Gap of Rohan - my intentions are still sincere. I will leave in the spring.

SARUMAN-WORLD: Saruman and company officially endorse George Bush. Bush 88!

SARUMAN-WORLD: Hello??

SARUMAN-WORLD: College life is great, but Greek life is better!! Are there any SIGMA CHI alumni out there??

SARUMAN AT ISENGARD: Where did you find that ring?? (Secret code to you know who)

SARUMAN-FANGORN: Suck cheese shark face!

MORDOR: Wishes the mortals good luck in Solmath

MORDOR-GONDOR: It's nothing against you. I have to attack someone, as no one is writing me, although I have written to nearly anyone and everyone.

MORDOR-GANDALF: We did not write you. As we don't know where you are! We would like to, especially, let a multiple unit to meet Gandalf. We would indeed like to meet you that way.

MORDOR-WORLD: We must band together and destroy Gandalf, as if we don't he may win the game, as, he can claim the ring from anyone. Then, he can prance about at his choosing, he can destroy the ring and game over. Any information on Gandalf, and or the Fellowship unit, will be much appreciated. See above.

NORTH IMLADRIS-ON-BARANDUIN, Hants. (3019 and losing count): Huff, puff, grumble; huff, puff, grumble; and that's how it had been going for quite some while as the three quest-seekers clambered their way into the nether reaches of the High Pass in the early stages of their trek to Osgiliath. Lui huffed, and on the off-beat Dui puffed (Winston 100s), and interwoven with both was the incessant crabbing of Hyui: "Youse guys're flippin' loony, y'know? Ain't got no effin' idea where we goin', ain't got no effin' idea how we's gettin' there, and you sure as shit ain't got no smarts for writing dialogue. This is dreadfully wooden. Reminds me of Ionesco. Is there any possibility you could improve my next soliloquy, you stupid jackasses?"

"Hey Dui!" exploded Lui at long last, "How about shoving your pack of fags in her mouth and lighting it with a blowtorch!"

"Won't help," shot back Dui, "She needs a lot more than a facial to accomplish much."

"'Spose you're right; leave her as is, we're safe from trolls."

The higher they climbed, the less printable the intercourse became, until finally Dui, between puffing and wheezing, hit on a nerve. "Hey Lui," he japed, "You know what the old bat needs? She needs a man! Hey Hyui, how long has it been now?"

"Oh, shut your trap, pig-face!"

"Oh, that recently? Jeez, Lui, we gotta find her some guy in a hurry, or she's gonna bust a gut - or some similar organ - before we get anywhere close."

"Hey," said Lui, "The map says there's a news kiosk a little higher up the pass. Maybe we could pick up a copy of that weekly with all the wierd want-ads - you know, the 'Lothlorien Lecher.'"

"Twice as far with a Hershey bar," screamed Hyui.

Dui lit another cigarette and said, "Well, let's try it. Besides, I need some cigarettes."

"Huh?" said Lui. "You're out already? This is just the first day of the trek!"

"Yeah, well, I'm trying to quit, you know; I thought four packs was plenty."

Iron Hills: As the last of the reverberations of the blast of the horn of assembly, echoed once more down the myriad of passages leading to the bowels of the underground city, summoning all to attend this rarely called assembly of war, the dwarven king Awd slowly rose to his feet and commanded silence.

"Mah fellow Amerikans - whoops wrong script". So after a mighty blow of his nose into that parchment, king Awd began again, tossing that now soggy piece into the great halls fireplace.

"Fellow kindredfolk. The world that we know is under seige. Mighty forces of orcs, trolls, goblins and undead spirits are being amassed to the south of us. No longer can we stay insulated from the world in our underground workings.

As we immortalize the names of the fallen in the skirmish of North Rhun, let us pursue the quest of revenge and justice; of conquest and survival. Yet, as we do pursue said goals, strange things have transpired. Word from the kingdom of Erebor tells of elven support in the march to Esgaroth. What strange air is this that blows and causes the elven folk to support us after refusing that support over the very span of history? What unseen master is summoning the fearful masses and darkness to the south? Why does Walter Crankykite always have to tell us bad news, can't he be a sports announcer for just once? The answer to these, my friends, is blown in the wind. The answer is blow-en in the wind.

(Who wrote this speech? I want him beheaded!)

What I'm asking for now is another party of stout 'n' fearless folk to again strike out for North Rhun."

At this moment, a sage and wisened mnemon came forward. " Oh good 'n' earnest king Awd, this being your first taste of war since your rule began thirty and eight years ago, I ask you to listen to my counsel. It is right that we avenge the deaths of the fallen in the skirmish of North Rhun but let's not spill more blood in a repeated folly. Let us instead ally with the kingdom of Erebor and provide a united force, as is the dwarven way."

"You speak wisely mnemon. Indeed that is what we'll do. We'll waste no more time at talk and drink, let us be off because even as their presence is known to us, our presence will have been brought to the attention of that unseen master of evil. I fear they will soon make their foul presence felt, even to the gates and halls of our Iron Hills."

Rule clarifications:

The Ring is found simply by moving into the province in which it is located. The GM secretly informs only the player or players in the province. Since the Ring's location is randomly determined, yes, a unit could have started with the Ring.

If the ring-bearer shares a province with another unit, the GM will only inform the other player about the Ring if the 2nd unit is Gandalf. However, I am checking with a GM in England to confirm this.

The ring-bearer, after moving, can pass the Ring into another province but not over mountains.

The mountains around Mordor do not extend to the edge of the map. Therefore movement is allowed between South Rhun/Ered Lithui and North Rhun.

If Gandalf destroys the Balinog, everyone is told. Also checking with England to confirm. The number of turns missed by him afterwards is randomly determined by the GM and only the Gandalf player is informed.

When the Nazgul moves with a unit and adds its strength to that unit, it forfeits the second part of its movement phase.

I am not sure what happens when the Ranger unit takes the Paths of the Dead and emerges in Laredon as a 1A, along the 1A. In centre it takes cannot be a 1A. I am trying to get this clarified and will let you know.

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BEN-AMI

LOTS OF SUPPORT ORDERS GO UNHEEDED AND AUSTRIA IS HELPED BY TURKISH MISORDER.

Summer 1905

RUSSIA retreats a mos-lvn

Fall 1906

AUSTRIA a tri-tyr, a vie s a tri-tyr
a ven s a tri-tyr, f ion-aeg
a gal s RUS a ukr-war (NSO),
a bul h, a gre s a bul

ENGLAND f ion-eng, f iri s f ion-eng

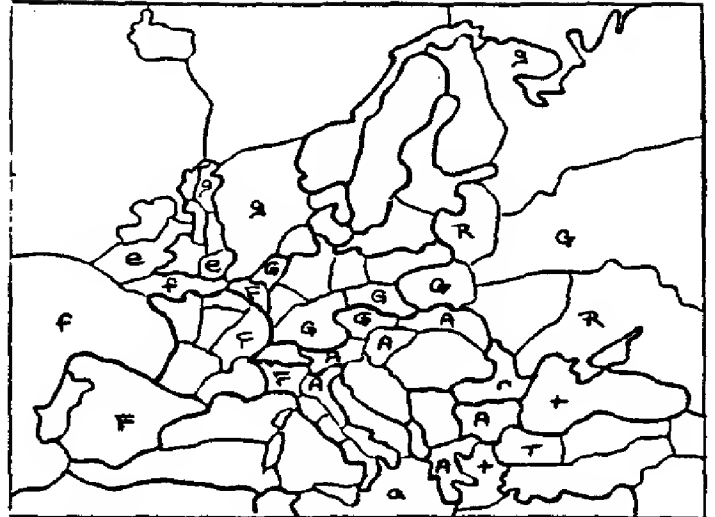
FRANCE a mar-spa, a pie s GER a mun-tyr (NSO), a bur s GER a ruh-mun,

a bel s a bur, f eng-lon, f mag-iri

GERMANY f nwy-stp(nc), a hol h, f nth-edi, f hel-nth, a ruh-mun, a mun-boh,
a ber-sil, a war s a mos, a mos s TUR f bla-sev (NSO)

RUSSIA a sev-mos, a lvn s a sev-mos, f rum s TUR a con-bul (NSO)

TURKEY f aeg-bul(sc), f bla s f aeg-bul(sc), a bul s f aeg-bul(sc) (NSU),
a con h (UNO)



My thanks to both of the standby players who submitted unneeded moves.

Both the GER/AUS and GER/AUS/FRA draw proposals were defeated.

	Supply			Centre			Chart					
AUSTRIA	10	build	3	tri	bud	ser	ven	bul	nap	vie	rom	tun
ENGLAND	2	remove	1	201	lvp	lon						
FRANCE	6	even		bre	par	mar	spa	por	bel			
GERMANY	11	build	2	mun	kie	ber	hol	den	swe	nwy	stp	war, MOS, EDI
RUSSIA	2	remove	1	101	sev	rum						
TURKEY	3	even		con	ank	smy						

DEADLINE for Winter builds/Spring 1907 moves is Friday December 9, 1988.

PRESS:

GER-RANBAM: Does Austria have any friends? Not if I can help it!

BUD-WORLD: To quote a not so great statesman: "Why is everyone always picking on me?"

BUD-RUSSIAN GOV'T IN EXILE: Wakey, wakey, rise and shine.

BUD-TO SAME GOV'T IN EXILE: We still have a chance to take down our Turk thorn: are you still up to it? If so, probe his flanks and try to divert his Black Sea fleet's support line with your Rumanian fleet.

CON-KIE: You hope that I support the Rus F Rum while you support yourself into Moscow. Did you just start taking drugs?

BUD-KAISER: Come on gal, give me a break. Together we can conquer the world.

Go west young man. I will not cross your borders. You have my word on that.

BUD-PARIS: We're going to stonewall each other here. How about some help against the other major power. P.S. I voted for the three way draw. That was to show how much respect I have for you as a country.

GER-FRA: If I'm in trouble in Sep '07, I'll assist you into Venice

BUD: Defending the Old World. Giving me a drink, a till you can find a large and an estate.

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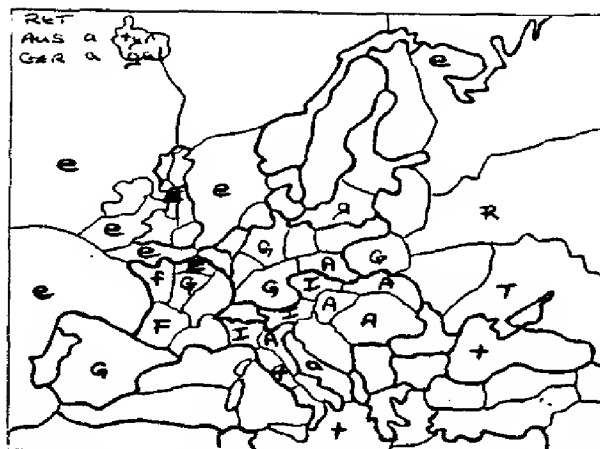
FRANCE GETS A TEMPORARY REPRIEVE THANKS
TO ENGLISH MISORDER. AUSTRIA SLIPS ARMY
INTO SILESIA AND IGNORES AN OPEN BERLIN

Summer 1905

AUSTRIA	retreats	a gal-sil
ENGLAND	retreats	f bre-mao
ITALY	retreats	a tyr-pie
RUSSIA	retreats	a sev-mos

Fall 1905

AUSTRIA-Milewski	<u>a sil-war</u> , a tri-ven, a ser-bud, a rum-gal, a vie s a rum-gal, f adr s a tri-ven, <u>a tyr-pie</u> (ret tri/otb)
ENGLAND-McKee	f nwy-stp(nc), f nwg-nao, f eng-bre, a pic s GER a bur-par, f nth h, a edi-por (NSU), f iri c a edi-por (IMP), f mao c a edi-por (IMP), a lvp h (UNO)
FRANCE-Gestiehr	<u>a gas s f bre</u> , f bre s a bur-pic (NSO), <u>a par s f bre</u> (ann)
GERMANY-Holley	<u>a spa-gas</u> , a bur-par, a mun h, a kie s a mun, f den-bal, <u>a war-mos</u> , <u>a gal-sil</u> (ret ukr/otb)
ITALY-Easton	a ven-tyr, a boh s a ven-tyr, <u>a pie-ven</u>
RUSSIA-Williams	<u>a mos-war</u>
TURKEY-Touchette	<u>a sev s RUS a mos</u> (OTM), f bla s AUS a rum (OTM), f aeg-ion f nap-rom



	Supply	Centre	Chart
AUSTRIA	8	build 1	tri, vie, bud, ser, gre, bul, rum, VEN
ENGLAND	8	even (1 short)	lon, lvp, edi, nwy, swe, stp, hol, bel, BRE
FRANCE	2	even (ann)	PAR , SPA , por, bre
GERMANY	8	build 1	mun, kie, ber, den, war, PAR , mar, SPA, PAR
ITALY	1	remove 2	VEN , ROM , tun
RUSSIA	1	even	MOS, SEV
TURKEY	6	build 2	con, smy, ank, nap, SEV, ROM

DEADLINE for Winter builds/Spring 1906 moves is Friday December 9, 1988.

PRESS:

CROSS CHANNELLER (in the London Express): Now everyone repeat after me; "Rule Britannia, Britannia rule the waves, Britons, never, never, never shall be slaves." Thus endeth the lesson.

ENG-RUS: My army in Blackpool finds it quite delightful. Not as delightful as Portugal, where they can be intoxicated by Port wine (the sots) but still delightful. In fact it is probably much more delightful than say Moscow. I doubt that I shall ever want to visit Sevastopol.

RANBAM: So delightful in fact that they decided to remain in Blackpool.

RUS-RANBAM: Is Italy gone yet? Is Paris burning? Is Milewski still my bud?

RANBAM: Nope, yep, maybe.

ENG-AUS: I hope that you show proper gratitude to Russia, but you are probably too busy plotting to do nasty stuff to Germany.

ENG-GER: Actually, its a rather ugly predicament. But as Ranbam says, it could be worse. For example I could be hostile instead of being the wonderfully helpful chap that I am.

RUS GER: I can almost taste a free Russia! Mind if I hang around?

TURISH MONTHLY BULLETIN: what? What? Greed never caused the addict ... Well I think there is a lot of things that can cause the addict ... Repeat the mistake to his sister. To the Englishman. I can keep that up until I reach the next Mod. hello. Hello. Hello. Hello. Hello. I never realized that. A day or so

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SPAIN MANAGES TO MAINTAIN HER NEUTRALITY
AND ITALY IS ON THE ROPE. ENGLAND PICKS
AND CHOOSES FROM DIFFERENT OFFERS.

Fall 1903

AUSTRIA-Acheson a tri-ven, a apu-nap
a tyr s a tri-ven
f tyh s a apu-nap
f adr-ion, a bul-con
a bud h, a gre h

ENGLAND-McCormack f eng-bre, f hel-den
f ska-swe, f nth s f hel-den

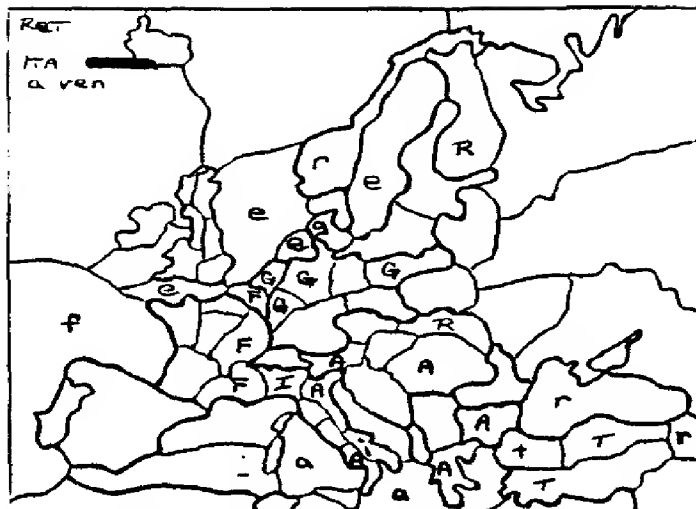
FRANCE-Lowes f mao-bre, a gas-mar
a bel a ENG f nth-hol (NSO)
a bur s a bel

GERMANY-Bauland a ber-pru, a ruh s a hol, a hol s a kie, a kie s f den,
f den s a swe, a swe s ENG f nth-nwy (NSO) (eliminated)

ITALY-Melinda f ion-apu, a mar-pie, a ven s a mar-pie (ret tus, rom, otb)

RUSSIA-McMaster f arm-ank, f bla s f arm-ank, a ukr-gai, a stp-fin,
f nwy s ENG f ska-swe

TURKEY-Hyatt a smy s a ank, f con s ank, a ank s f con



	Supply	Centre	Chart
AUSTRIA	9	build 1	vie, bud, tri, ser, gre, ven, bul, tun, NAP
ENGLAND	4	even	lon, lvp, edi, NWY , SWE
FRANCE	5	build 1	bre, par, por, bel, MAR
GERMANY	5	even (ann)	mun, kie, ber, hol, den, SWE
ITALY	1	remove 2	rom, NAP , NAP
RUSSIA	6	build 1	stp, war, mos, sev, rum, NWY
TURKEY	3	even	con, ank, smy
NEUTRAL	1		spa

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PRESS:

ITA-AUS: Hey, Acheson! Clean this!!



YIDDISH PROVERB #202: Gif der yid fun der fold is ongesniden, klap er to...
The yid of success is as hard to get and hold.

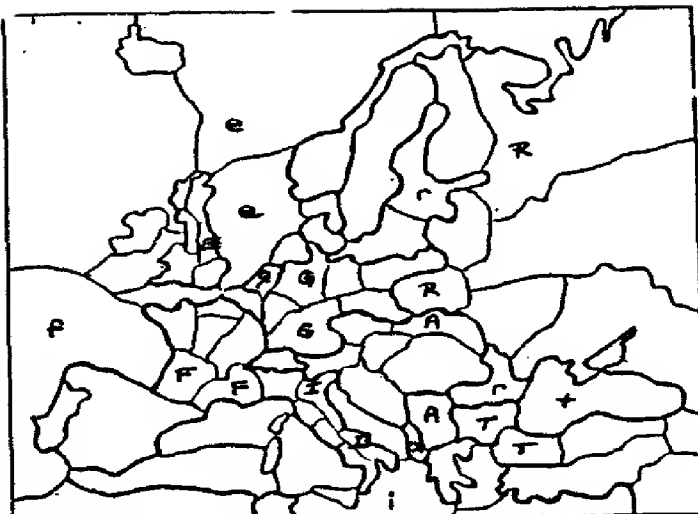
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ADAMIT

A COUPLE OF BOUNCES AND PLENTY OF GOOD PRESS. AN INTERESTING GAME SHAPING UP.

Spring 1901

AUSTRIA-Touchette	a vie-gal, a bud-ser f tri-alb
ENGLAND-Wilson	f edi-nwg, f lon-nth a lvp-yor
FRANCE-T. Acheson	a par-gas, <u>a mar-bur</u> f bre-mao
GERMANY-von Metzke	f kie-hol, a ber-kie <u>a mun-bur</u>
ITALY-Klien	f nap-ion, a rom-apu a ven h
RUSSIA-McCormack	f sev-rum, a mos-stp, a war h, f stp(sc)-gob
TURKEY-Palmer	a con-bul, a smy-con, f ank-bla



DEADLINE for the Fall 1901 moves is Friday December 9, 1988.

PRESS:

RANBAM: Adamit is the name of a kibbutz on the Lebanese border about 10 km from the Mediterranean.

ANKARA (1 Feb 1901): The Anatolian Revolutionary Freedom Army marched unopposed into Bulgaria today to reestablish Moslem sovereignty in the ancient homelands. Grand Vizier Salaam Ebreth hailed the liberation of occupied lands as the beginning of a new era in Turkish history. Turkey signalled its ascendancy to the status of World Power.

DIPLOMATIC PRESS RELEASE: His Majesty, Brian, King of all he surveys and Ruler of England extends his greetings and salutations to the wise and learned leaders who responded to his overtures. The king also pledges his benevolence to all those under his hand. Pax Britannia.

GER-ENG: Write me back quick! Sure I'll support you into Belgium, but you have to tell me which unit you're sending.

TUR-RUS: I have assumed a defensive posture until negotiations produce an agreement. Please note that Armenia is unoccupied by my forces.

RANBAM: The best defense is a good offense.

TUR-AUS: I recognize your right to exist in Serbia and Greece. Can you do likewise for me in Bulgaria? Peace!

GER-FRA: I'm going to be very embarrassed if I actually get into Burgandy, because all I really wanted to do was stand you off. Fat chance, wot? Okay, well, if I let you have Belgium without opposition, will you help me wipe somebody out?

PARIS: Countess Aurelia is delighted that she lives in a perfect world surrounded by ragpickers, street singers, jugglers and shoe-lace peddlars. We warmly greet the ruler of Italy, Grand Vizier Dr. Salaam Ebreth and Valentino, because we don't know of any other name. Notwithstanding, it is twelve o'clock noon and any man is called Valentino at twelve o'clock noon. Except of course it is one o'clock, when all men are called Roderick. Since we live in a world where the people don't change, the names must-be it Valentino, Roderick or Pierre.

Alas, the countess has been informed of a Prospector who is searching for oil in the streets of Paris. She saw a face, you might say, without a face. The eyes-empty. The expression-not human. Not a human face. It was staring at her. And when it looked back at her with its gelatin eyes, Aurelia, shuddered.

"Where is my Dr. Jadin? It is 2 days past yesterday. Certainly, he knows who I am! Then it is his chivalrous duty to aid me in my mission to rid the world of evil!"

WHY ISRAEL SHOULD OFFER TO NEGOTIATE UNCONDITIONALLY WITH THE PLO

by Mark Sberch

In my last article, I made a case for the Palestinian Arabs taking a bold step to advance their own interests. This time, I'll do the same for the Israelis. Israel should say, "Arafat, come to Jerusalem for Peace Talks. No Conditions."

There are generally two arguments raised against this. The first is that Arafat does not recognize Israel, and indeed, wishes Israel did not even exist. All true, of course --- but that hasn't been a barrier in the past.

David Ben-Gurion was a man whose devotion to Israel could not be questioned by anyone. But he publically urged Gamel Nasser, the leader of Egypt, to negotiate with Israel. Nasser was a bitter and determined foe of Israel, and he supported terrorist acts against Israel before there even was a PLO. Or take Menachim Begin, a classic Israeli hardliner. Yet after the Camp Davis accords, he urged Assad of Syria to do what Sadat did. "You're next", he said in effect. Now, Assad is a man who has criticized Arafat for being too soft on Israel. He is a ruthless, brutal man, and even by the standards of the Middle East, he's a real son of a bitch. He has a lot of Israeli blood on his hands, both from the 1973 war and from the campaign in Lebanon. But Begin invited him to come. Even Sadat --- he touched off the 1973 war. He hadn't recognized Israel when the invitations went out. Likewise Hussein of Jordan: This man does not recognize Israel.

Arafat isn't even in the same league as these guys. Compared to them, he is a street thug, a bureaucrat, a figurehead. Those other guys with their air forces and standing armies posed a real threat to Israel. Arafat with his rubber dingies and hang gliders can blow up a bus here or there, but these are just bee stings. Arafat isn't even secure in his own position. In short, Israel has been willing to negotiate with people more hostile than Arafat.

The second argument is that negotiating with Arafat is not in the best interests of Israel. I disagree --- it's the most cunning move Israel can make.

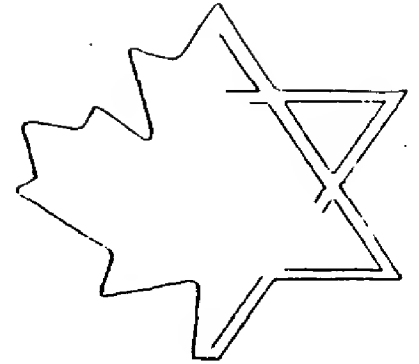
Will Arafat come? Don't be so sure that he will. There will be two powerful groups opposed. The first are the hardliners. They want only the dismantlement of Israel, and they know that no country will negotiate away its existence. Sitting down at the table will give Israel a degree of legitimacy that they absolutely reject --- and for what? To try to get that which they know Israel will never negotiate away. The other group are the bureaucrats. While we mightfully associate the PLO with terrorism, much of what they do is essentially governmental, providing funds for community organizations, putting out press releases, etc, paying soldiers who don't fight, etc. These people don't want change. A compromise settlement in Jerusalem, leading to their own country at peace with Israel will put them out of business. For their business now is preparing for armed struggle with Israel. The current status quo is just fine.

A decision by Arafat to go would cause a major split within the PLO --- indeed, just having to make the choice will cause a split. I suspect that most of the Arabs in Gaza and the West Bank would be urging Arafat to go, to reach an accommodation with Israel. Israel would be split on the issue too, but therein lies the difference. Israelis settle their differences thru strikes and debates and elections. But, at least since the days of the Palmach and Irgun and Haganah, they don't use guns. Not so the Arabs in the Middle East. Their tendency is usually (not always) to settle major matters thru force. We are familiar with this in Lebanon, but let's not also forget Assad's horrifying suppression of the revolt in Hama, Hussein's obliteration of the PLO inside Jordan (those who would not leave were killed), civil wars in North and South Yemen. A decision by Arafat to go to Jerusalem would probably trigger a civil war within the PLO which could easily lead to its destruction. Israel would have much to gain by that! A decision not to go is less likely to trigger a civil war. However, such a choice would go against Arafat's instincts of trying for center stage. It would also greatly disappoint those in Gaza and the West Bank who realize that a deal in Jerusalem would surely improve their political independence. And it would be a huge propaganda victory for Israel. Look at all the bad press Iran gets from not talking to Iraq.

If Arafat does come, Israel will give him a cruel choice by posing the impossible question: "What do you want?" Arafat's approach has essentially been two faced. To Arabs, he says that he seeks the elimination of Israel. You will return to your farms in the Galilee (or your father's or grandfather's farms), your orchards in Jaffa. Things will be as they once were. But when he faces the rest of the world, he talks of justice and freedom, and a country for the Palestinians to call their own. Israel's refusal to talk to Arafat means that he has not been called to account for this conflict. If he asks for a Palestinian state in place of Israel, then he will demolish the credibility that he has slowly built up over many years, especially in Europe. Furthermore, he then knows that he will have gotten nothing, since Israel will not do that. That is, he will have paid the internal political cost of talking with Israel, with no prospect of any gain from it. If he says he wants a new state alongside of Israel, he will infuriate his backers. His negotiating team will have real fears for their personal safety. With Arafat out of Tunis, there is the good likelihood of a revolt from the hardliners in Fatah, who have taken up guns against Arafat's faction before (in Lebanon). It's a lose-lose choice for Arafat. I'll bet he prays to Allah every day not to be invited to Jerusalem. Such an invitation will likely lead to either the destruction of the PLO, or alienating it from its Gaza/West Bank and European supporters.

These two essays then give dynamic strategies for either side. But who will take the first move? Who will implement their winning strategy. First? The first side to grab the opportunity. I believe, will prevail.

KARMEI'S PANORAMA



TRAITORS - #2: MAJOR ESTERHAZY

Major Esterhazy was an artillery officer in the French army, up until the fall of 1894. He was a staff officer, stationed at his regiment's headquarters in Paris.

Esterhazy was an alcoholic and gambler, minus any kind of scruples and in order to supplement his expensive tastes, he became a spy for a foreign power.

There were no political principles involved, nor did he feel any sense of loyalty for the country on whose behalf he obtained classified information. His actions and objectives were based purely on financial gain. Worse yet, he allowed an unfortunate fellow officer to take the blame and punishment for his treachery!

On a certain night at the outset of 1894, a French scrub woman, employed at the German Embassy in Paris, happened on a screwed up, discarded document in a waste paper basket. Her suspicions were aroused on noticing the papers were in French and she decided they were of some consequence. Whereupon, she smuggled them out of the embassy and delivered them to the French authorities. The papers in question, proved to be blueprints of the latest French howitzer gun.

With respect to scrub women, it is hard to conceive, how an uneducated cleaning woman of the 1890's (and she certainly would have been uneducated) would have recognized the difference between a blueprint and the embassy staff's laundry list. The story of a patriotic scrub woman makes for romantic reading, but a more plausible explanation is expounded by historians. The lady concerned was in actuality, a French counter-espionage agent, planted in the German Embassy.

Why the blueprints involved were not destroyed, instead of being junked in such a careless and lackadaisical fashion, defies explanation. One can be sure some hapless embassy official or clerk, suffered dearly for this blatant stupidity!

The French authorities immediately embarked on an investigation in an effort to unearth the espionage agent within their very bosom. These investigations wound up on the doorstep of the staff officers of Esterhazy's regiment.

For some inexplicable reason, no suspicion was cast in Esterhazy's direction, despite the fact, at the height of the investigations, he chose to resign his commission and leave for England! Instead, total suspicion fell on another staff officer, 35 year old, Captain Alfred Dreyfus. Apart from the glaring obvious Esterhazy, Dreyfus was, at the outset at least, a logical candidate.

Captain Dreyfus's character and military record were exemplary, and he was an expert artilleryman. Despite this, he did not fit one's conception of a

professional soldier. He was withdrawn and kept himself aloof from his comrades, to the point of being unfriendly. He seldom associated with his fellow officers and rarely dined at the officer's mess. Rather than accompany them to the super clubs and bawdy night spots of the gay 90's Paris, he would much prefer to spend his evenings at home with his wife and family.

Dreyfus was not a popular man, mostly on account of his obvious reluctance to socialize with his colleagues, also perhaps, because he was an independently wealthy man and this may well have provided for some envy among the less financially fortunate officers.

It is understandable why the question was often posed, why did Dreyfus, a wealthy man, choose the life of a soldier? True, the army officer of yesteryear enjoyed many benefits, but the benefits of a "well to do" businessman, surely outweighs those of an officer and without the harsh discipline, regulations and restrictions, plus the fact, one was always subordinate to somebody!

Once the case became public knowledge, there were those who claimed, Dreyfus had been planted in the French army many years previously, for the express purpose of spying for Germany and he was in reality, a professional agent. This proved to be untrue, but one could be forgiven for concluding otherwise.

Dreyfus was part owner, along with his brother, of a long established and highly lucrative family business. The company's head offices were in Germany and in the course of business, Dreyfus made numerous trips to that country. His brother ran the German side of the operation and in fact, was a German citizen. It is hardly surprising, none of these circumstances went in Dreyfus's favour.

Dreyfus proclaimed his innocence from the outset, but the French were still smarting from their defeat in the Franco-Prussian War, some twenty years previously and an example had to be made!

It is easy to see how his civilian enterprise placed him in the dock as a likely suspect and it must be said, he would have found himself in this situation irrespective of his religious affliction, but it is equally certain, the trial would have been conducted differently with a possibly different outcome had Dreyfus not been Jewish!

Dreyfus was a modern emancipated Jew, but unlike many of his young co-religionists of the 19th century, he did not convert, nor was he a total assimulator and he married in the faith. However, it is clear he would have preferred not to have been Jewish. His real religion was the army.

As the trial was set in motion, anti-semitism crawled out of the shadows and any chance of a fair hearing was dashed to smithereens.

The right wing political parties, together with the powerful Roman Catholic Church and the military, began to attack Dreyfus for his Judaism, as much as for his suspected espionage activities. In fact, French Judaism was put on trial!

The Jesuits and the anti-semitic press, conducted a smear campaign against Dreyfus and his co-religionists. In the forefront was the anti-Jewish periodical, *Revue ...* and amongst its many cartoons and articles, issued a vile front page cartoon, depicting a stereotyped looking Jew, selling off the French tricolour at an auction.

The dynamic French novelist, Emile Zola, came to the defense of Dreyfus with his famous newspaper article headlined "I accuse". Jewish groups and the socialist party rallied round Zola, but they could not defeat the influential forces of reaction.

After a sham of a court martial, Dreyfus was found guilty and sentenced to be transported to the notorious French penal colony, Devil's Island! He also

had to suffer the utter humiliation of being drummed out of the army.

"Drumming out", is a particularly nasty practise used by most European armies and was common in the 19th century (it has also been used this century). The unfortunate disgraced officer appears before his regiment, a fellow officer tears off the victim's rank insignia, decorations and buttons and his sword is broken in half. The former officer is then marched out of the barrack gates under escort, followed by a drummer.

The wealthy Dreyfus family tried everything in their power to obtain a retrial and hired the best lawyers, but to no avail. Dreyfus was to linger on the fever infested colony for ten years.

Meantime, Zola and others kept up their campaign for a new trial, but the High Command of the army would not waver. Many of the General Staff honestly felt Dreyfus to be guilty, still others, in retrospect, were beginning to have doubts as to that guilt, but were not in favour of reopening the case. To do so, would be to admit the army may have committed an injustice and the army was paramount!

In the end, Zola and his allies moved the conscience of the nation. There was a public outcry and the government ordered a new trial. Zola served as Dreyfus's advocate and the latter was found "not guilty"!

Dreyfus was reunited with his family and returned to his regiment with Captain's rank and no loss of seniority. During the 1914/18 War, he served on the French General Staff. He died in 1935 at 76 years of age. (One cannot help but wonder, what kind of man he was, that could forgive the army after they had abused him so?)

During the new trial, the French authorities contacted Esterhazy and requested he attend. Esterhazy refused to leave England and was to remain there for the rest of his life. We know little about Major Esterhazy, the real culprit and main actor in the drama, since Dreyfus and Zola, jointly, took over centre stage (which would hardly have bothered Esterhazy to any degree).

There are those who would suggest, Esterhazy had friends in high places who tipped off when the howitzer blueprints were first unearthed. It is hard to imagine, how a fellow who could hardly meet his mess bills, could cultivate such friends (unless of course, they were also spies). Others say, the German Embassy alerted him. If either of these circumstances be true, why on earth did he court danger and discovery by hanging around whilst the investigation was in progress to officially resign his commission? Why didn't he quietly steal away on the first available night ferry steamer for Dover?

In referring to the "Dreyfus Affair" the American (Jewish) writer, Howard Fast, said, "if anything good came out of it, it was the fact, it forged Jewish solidarity and proved a vital force for French socialism!"

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Derek Levison
To Adriaan

When a government wants you dead for politically reasons, the law usually breaks down and they get you. An excellent example in the U.S. is the trial of Ethyl & Julius Rosenberg. They were convicted of "CONSPIRACY to commit treason", during peace time. Not treason. Conspiracy to commit treason. A big difference. Never-the-less, they were executed. (In order to appear as if it wasn't an anti-semitic act, a Jewish judge and prosecuting attorney presided over the trial. The prosecutor was Roy Cohn, but that's another story.) Anyway, at the time it was during the anti-communist hysteria of the 1950's and the gov't wanted blood. And they got it.

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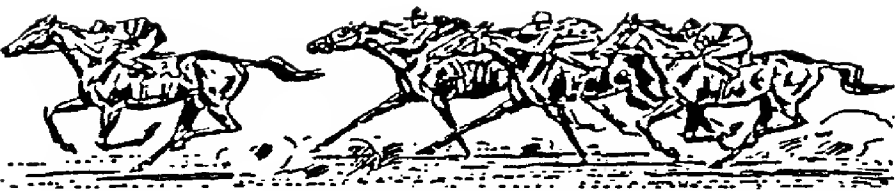
The Overnight Sheet

- Regular Diplomacy
Race #1 signed up: Atkinson, Etheridge, Holley, McMaster, Touchette, Stanley, Wilson. Due to the fact that there are three players from Barrie signed up here, it would be regarded as irregular under BNC regulations, therefore, I'm listing all the people but leaving the game open until I get at least 2 more non-locals.
- Gunboat Diplomacy
Race #1 1988ALrb32 "Almahmoud" - fall 1902
Race #2 signed up: can't say! two - five needed
- Colonia VI (nine player world map with colonies)
Race #1 1988Agh "Allez France" - fall 1753
Race #2 signed up: Etheridge, Hyatt, Prosnitz, Russell
- Colonia VI Gunboat
Race #1 1988Bgh "Battlefield" - fall 1753
Race #2 1988GDgh "Victoria Regina" - spring 1751
Race #3 NO PRESS GAME signed up: three - six needed

DEADLINE: December 2nd, 1988 *CHECK DEADLINES!!*

There is a five (\$5-) dollar entry fee for any race being run in BS. There is no charge to stand-bys and stand-bys will be rewarded with an extention of their subscriptions by one issue when called upon to submit orders AND will be credited with an extra issue if their orders are used and they become a player of record. I think that's fair, eh?

BEWARE! Clandestine Activities is out there! Where is Praxis?? Is it the curse of the Runestone Poll? Second winner to fly too close to the sun? Car 54 where are you?



Gunboat Diplomacy
1988ALrb32 - "Almahmoud"
fall 1902

DEADLINE: DEC 2, 1988

THIS IS WAR !! 17 OUT OF 32 PROPOSED COURSES OF ACTION WORK. TRUSTING ??
summer 1902

AUSTRIA retreats F Greece - Albania
fall 1902

AUSTRIA F Adr - Ven; A Tri-Tyr; A Vie-Tfy; A Bud-Gal dislodged (ret: Ser,OTB);
F Alb-Gre.
ENGLAND A Lon-Bel; F Nth c A Lon-Bel; F Eng s A Lon-Bel; F MAO-Spa(sc).
FRANCE F Por-MAO; A Bre s A Pic; A Pic s A Bre; A Spa holds; F GoL-WMS.
GERMANY A Ruh-Mun; A Hol holds; F Bal-Swe; F Ska s F Bal-Swe.
ITALY A Ven-Tyr; A Tyr-Mun; F Ion s AUSTRIAN F Alb-Gre; F Tun s F Ion.
RUSSIA F Nwy s F Swe; F Swe s F Nwy; A Ukr-War; A Gal-Bud; A Rum s
A Gal-Bud; F Blk-Sev.
TURKEY A Gre s RUSSIAN A Rum-Ser NSO; A Con-Bul; F Aeg s A Gre; F EMS-Ion.

SUPPLY CENTRE CHART

AUSTRIA	3	remove	2	Bud, Tri, Vie, Grs, Ser.
ENGLAND	4	even		Home, Nwy, BEL.
FRANCE	5	even		Home, Por, Spa.
GERMANY	5	build	1	Home, Den, HOL.
ITALY	4	even		Home, Tun.
RUSSIA	8	build	2	Home, Rum, Swe, BUD, NWY.
TURKEY	5	build	1	Home, Bul, GRE.

Press:
GER-AUS: You have enough enemies - need a friend?
TUR-AUS: Here comes the R/T express, on track again!
GER-ENG: Black press or NO, don't believe everything you read. The Tzar would love to have us at war.
GER-FRA: You realize, if we fight, England & Italy will happily walk over us, don't you?
GER-ITA: I would hate to think you were heading north. Avoid my borders and we'll have no problems.
TUR-ITA: The Adriatic! Take the Adriatic, garlic breath!
TUR-RUS: Success is ours, old buddy. I'll take Serbia, you take Budapest.
GM-TUR: I think he, uh, anticipated your communication.

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Feedbucket: 'Say it ain't so Joe' Normally I don't write powers who've been dead a full year. It just isn't cost effective. But I've been dealt a blow which saddens the heart. It's like finding out your brother's a criminal, or that Dad secretly voted NDP in the last election. Some piece of knowledge so terrible, that if put into human form would look like Phyllis Diller has been thrust upon me.
Beaver leader, family man, otherwise normal Doug Acheson ((you forgot straight shooter)) is the PALE RIDER. Say it ain't so joe, say it ain't so. What would Trish say if she knew? What would the kids say? Your Mom? ((He's a good boy)). Sad, so sad - Glen McMaster
((Will the real PALE RIDER in Sleepless Knights, game - Kymbol, please stand up. Haven't you figured out yet that when Trish & the kids are sleeping, I'm hiding in the basement, under a table playing diplomacy?))

Back it up. Back it up. WHOA!! Yep, dump 'er right ther'. It's supPos'd to be on the paper ya' fool how else is Jack McHugh goin' ta get it. This uns dedicated to the fine folks down there with their heads in the sand - led of course by good ol' Jack.

Manure-pile: Let's see now, it's been a while since we sat down and jawed a bit, hasn't it? Well, I think it's about time that I made some of my astute observations about some worldly things here.

First off, this here typin' machine is all bunged up. Why is the roller floatin' up and down by itself? Ticks me right off!!

Got to mention that I was visitin' a number of goodly folks south of the border there in the United Confederate States of America (that ones fer you Ms Holley). Well actually, I showed up with my personal invitation securely stuffed under my hat along with a number of 'out-of-state'rs' who'd driven for 2-3 hours to get there. Caused me to go to thinkin' right off the bat that maybe I should have some cause to complain as it took me 10 hrs to get there. There bein' Hyatt's place in UPPER Montclair, New Jersey which is somewhere outside of New York on some rinky-dink toll-way that allows a person to speed right along at 90 km/h MAX or 55mph to you isolationists. Big signs everywhere - "1-5 mph over limit \$63 fine American, 6-10 mph over limit \$1?? fine, etc" I defined the currency bit there and I was drivin' too fast to read anything below the first line of "1-5 mph ...".

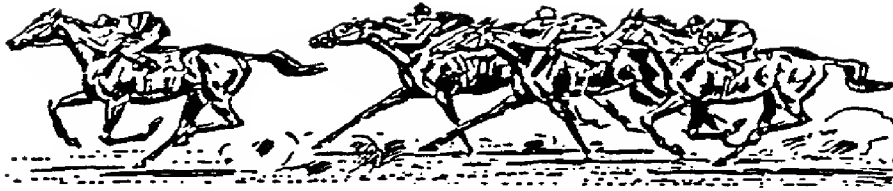
Well as I was sayin', I was visitin' and it loomed large in my mind that America to Americans is the geophysical land mass called North America. Well, with this kind of thinkin' it made me wonder aloud if it had occurred to them that this bent in their thinkin' would naturally cause any other sovereign occupant of said land mass to be slightly miffed at such a cavalier attitude AND just might cause any other sovereign occupant of said land mass to be slightly nationalistically inclined.

Well of all the unheard of's! You know, it was just inconceivable that anyone on this land mass could possibly desire to be anything but an apple pie an' all, American. So, given that totaly embraced reasoning, the/that immense land area to the north (pink on yer school maps), good fer huntin' and fishin' (Americans seem to idolize their weapons, therefore their love of huntin' - anything), was just under the control of some American custodians called Canadians.

Well, this just wrangled on me, but, bein' a good Canuck and all, well trained in the artful ways of diplomacy, I decided that (git ready for a darn long train-of-thought sentence) that bein' outnumbered 13 to 1 and up against a whole lifetime of indoctrination, pledges of alligence and tunnel-visioned foreign policies (wave the flag, if it don't work send in the cavalry) my lone voice on independant, self-governed, wholly sovereign states existing in a co-habitant relationship with America the beautiful, would be lost in their insulated grey matter. So the thing to do was to indulge in a game with the idea of getting a burr under their blanket. If you can't get them to think about it then make sure they're goin' to sleep on it.

The game was based on one of their foundation, fundamental, frequently mirrored follies - hero worship. The trick to the game was to point out Canadian contributions to various fields of endeavour, starting with something light and non-threatening like Hollywood and ending up with some, hopefully, thought provoking illustrations on how Canadians created NASA and electronically control their armed forces' intelligence systems (that usually gets a good rise out of them). BUT, being a game, just a game, you can laugh at/through them with them at their lack of understanding of the world beyond their borders.

Well as I was sayin at the beginnin' - just a few thoughts on worldly things. It just took a trip across the border to get the blood pressure up and the eyes opened. By the way, Penn state was just beautiful, I think I was on I80 or I81 or I82 interstate highways.



Colonia VI
1988Agh - "Allez France"
fall 1753

DEADLINE: Dec. 9th, 1988

PHONE-LINES HUM AS ADJUDICATION ERROR DIRECTLY INFLUENCES S. AMERICAN MOVES
CORRECTION: spring 1753 - OTTOMAN (McMaster) - F Bra-Bah.

VOTE: ENG/OTTO/RUS/SPA draw did not pass(required 3/4 votes in favour).
Count: 110 SC's - 31 yes votes; 42 no votes; 37 not voted (count as yes)

summer 1753	
ENGLAND (Atkinson)	F WAO retreats to Bel.
fall 1753	
AUSTRIA (Prosnitz)	F Mex(ec)-Tex; A Lou s F Mex(ec)-Tex; F Fla s A Lou; A Hes-Psa; A Bav-Sax; A Gal-Rum; A Pol-Rum; A Bud-Bos; F Adr-Tri; <u>F Nap-Ion</u> ; F Haw-NPO; F WPO s F Haw-NPO; F Mel-Tar.
CHINA (Hyatt)	A Mon s A Sin; A Sin s A Mon; A Chg-Tib; <u>A Sze-Bma</u> ; A Kor holds; <u>A Bma-Sia</u> ; F Pek-ECS; F ECS-SCS; F Ctn s F ECS-SCS; F Tai s F ECS-SCS.
ENGLAND (Atkinson)	A Ecu-Col; <u>A Mns-Vza</u> ; F Iri-Eng; <u>F Lon-Nth</u> /dislodged (ret: Yor,OTB); <u>F Mls-Bor</u> ; <u>F Bel-Sur</u> .
FRANCE (McKee)	F Ash s A Bnn-Tog; A Bnn-Tog; F MAO-GGu; A Mis-Cal; A Ohi holds; F Mas-Gra; <u>F EAO-WAO</u> ; F Bri-EAO; F Ire-Iri; A Par-Fnd; A Mad s PORTUGESE F Gib-Val; <u>A Pps s SPANISH F WMS-Nap/NSO</u> ; A Agn s PORTUGESE F Gib-Val.
NETHERLANDS (Bauland)	<u>A Niq-Fez</u> ; <u>F Tog holds/ANNIH</u> ; <u>A Ang-Con</u> ; <u>A Ben-Mah</u> ; A Han s AUSTRIAN A Hes-Psa; <u>F Bal-Lit</u> ; F Nth s F Eng-Lon; F Eng-Lon; A Den-Swe; F EIO s F Goa-WIO; F Goa-WIO; A Rhi-Bav; <u>F Vza-Sur</u> ; <u>F WAO-Bel</u> ; <u>A Ric</u> <u>s F WAO-Bel/ANNIH</u> .
OTTOMANS (McMaster)	<u>A Fez-Nig</u> ; F Red-Eth; F GAd s F Red-Eth; A Jer-Egy; <u>A Kas-Mah</u> ; A Pun-Niz; F ArS c A Pun-Niz; F Gre-Adr; <u>F Ion s F Gre-Adr</u> ; F EMS-Lib; <u>A Bos-Gal</u> ; A Bol-Mat; A Mat-Ric; F Bah s A Mat-Ric; A Per/Uno.
PORTUGAL (Grigsby)	A Mta holds; A Ore s FRENCH a Mis-Cal; F Gib-Val; A Lag-Hue; F Lis-Can; A Tun-Tau; A Moz holds; F SIO s F AnO-Die; <u>F Nat-SoS</u> ; F Cor-NwG; F AnO-Die; F GAa s AUSTRIAN F Haw-NPO; <u>F SPO-Pru</u> ; F Can-Azo.
RUSSIA (Potter)	NMR'd. All units hold. F Pru, A Rum, A Cri, F Fin(sc), A Lit, F StP(sc), A Oms, F SoO, F Jap. <u>A Psa/ANNIH</u> ; <u>F Die/ANNIH</u> .
SPAIN (Etheridge)	F Hon(ec)-Mex(ec); <u>A Tex s F Hon(ec)-Mex(ec)</u> /dislodged (ret: Mis,OTB); A Val-Mor; F WMS c A Val-Mor; <u>A Uga-Con</u> ; A Som-Mal; F SoS c A Som-Mal; <u>F Cam-Sia(ec)</u> ; <u>F SCS-Bor</u> /dislodged (ret: Mnl,AfS,GSi,Lao,OTB).

STAND-BY: Could Trish Acheson, 95 Dundonald St., Barrie, Ontario L5m 3T4 CANADA
please stand-by for Russia? Now aren't you embarrassed Ken? Glen?

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N.B. There is a policy in effect in BackStretch, and that is one of NMR
insurance. If I have your telephone # and I don't have your moves by
deadline, I will call you and reverse the charges. If you want me to
continue or not to, just drop me a note with your next set of moves!

COLONIA VI 1988Agh "Allez France" fall 1753 - supply centre status

AUSTRIA	Bud, Fla, Haw, Tri, Vie, Lou, Bay, Nap, Gua, Vir, Pol, Iwo, Wak, TEX, TAR.	SC 14 - build 1
CHINA	Amo, Pek, San, Wuh, Man, Mon, Sin, Tib, Ctn, Tai, Kor, BMA.	SC 12 - build 2
ENGLAND	Ecu, Edi, Lon, Mla, Fez, Sia, COL, BEL.	SC 6 - even or build 1 depend' ret
FRANCE	Bdx, Dak, Par, Que, Tou, Mas, Sav, Pps, Tbk, Ont, Ohi, Gha, Num, TOG, CAL, MAD.	SC 16 - build 3
NETHERLANDS	Ang, Ant, Goa, Hag, Sur, Bel, Den, Gab, Wlz, Nig, Vza, Rij, Nwy, Swe, Mah, Cey, BEN, HAN, LON, BAV.	SC 17 - build 4
OTTOMANS	Bag, Bra, Ist, Izm, Jer, Arg, Sud, Bul, Per, Gre, Bol, Bah, Yem, Oma, Afg, FEZ, ETH, EGY, NIZ, RIC.	SC 20 - build 5
PORTUGAL	Ala, CpC, Lag, Lis, Mbo, Mta, Mor, Nat, NwZ, Van, Ore, Tun, Moz, Sam, Tah, VAL, TAU, NWG, DIE, AZO.	SC 19 - build 5
RUSSIA	Kie, Mos, Oms, StP, Vla, Rum, Pru, Waz, Cri, Jap, Rij.	SC 9 - even
SPAIN	Mad, Mnl, Mex, Som, Val, Tex, Ken, Cam, Hon, Uga, MOR, MAL.	SC 9 - even or build 2 depending on re

Neutral Centres still available: Bor, Con, Cub, Fij, Ifn, Ire, Jav, Kam, Kha, Nep, Sum, Vol, Zam.

The Press and only the Press as received by himself, the GM!!

SPA-GM: Alright! Enough's enough, I think we can now have an honourable peace in our time. Don't you?

ENG-All: Writing this in advance of receiving HH #15, I would like to thank you all for your generous return of all my properties. A quick peek at the existing board and . . . Oh My, well does anyone want to buy some English real estate real cheap?

SPA-All: Is there anyone interested in helping me survive? My units can be of some use to most of you.

FRA-World: His Majesty, Le Nouveau Roi du Soliel contemplates the globe of the world set in the dancing girl's navel (incidentally, he does this while holding her, as trying to look at a globe while she is dancing gives him a headache) and shakes his head. I predict strange occurrences with neighbour turning neighbour and misunderstandings abounding. Accidental war is a possibility.

GM here: Accidental war?! Now that's a fine turn of diplomatic phrase.

FRA-AUS: Appearances are deceptive; real motives shall be revealed.

ENG-SPA: I think perhaps, we should talk. We both could use an ally.

ENG-OTTO: I Agree only to non-aggression for now. NO more than that. My position is precarious at best, so I have nothing to lose.

NETH-OTTO: You attack me in India - alliance in rest of world is over or otherwise - WAR!!

SPA-OTTO: When the piper pipes, one must dance, but the dance is the dancer's, not the piper's!

continued from previous edition (HH #14) which means that this did not fit there but it does here . . .

ENG-OTTO: Promise perhaps, but sunshine?! Have you ever gone to England in the spring? Sunshine? Hah! Plans discussed - full steam ahead!

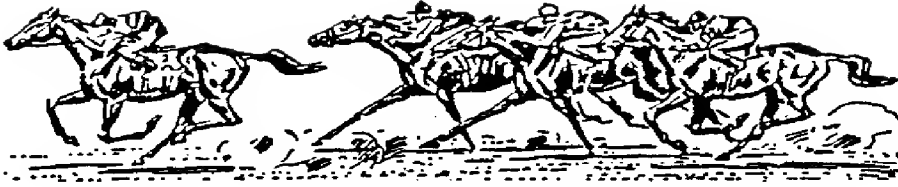
ENG-RUS: Fine sit in Peru, see if I care!! Could we talk?

OTTO-AUS/RUS: So you want me to chose sides? O.K.

RUS-FRA: This is a declaration of war. I'm fighting everyone else, so, I may as well fight you too. (Look out Spain).

ENG-SPA: OTTO says you may need another ally. I know I do, let's talk.

OTTO-NETH: Please allow me to relieve you of your Indian colony, as you've never bothered writing and mentioning you want it.



Gunboat Colonia VI
1988GDgh - "Victoria Regina"
NO PRESS GAME
spring 1751

DEADLINE: DEC. 2nd, 1988

WHAT'S THIS? TENSIONS ALREADY? YOU GUYS DON'T WASTE ANY TIME.

AUSTRIA	A Florida - Virginia A Vienna - Bavaria A Budapest - Galacia F Trieste - Adriatic Sea F Hawaii - Melanesia
CHINA	F amoy - Canton <u>A Peking - Manchuria</u> A Sian - Gobi Desert A Wuhan - Tibet
ENGLAND	A Ecuador - Columbia F Edinburgh - Irish Sea F London - North Sea A Malayia - Siam A Nigeria - Kameroun
FRANCE	A Quebec - Massachusetts A Dakar - Volta A Toulon - Savoy F Bordeaux - Bay of Biscay A Paris - Bordeaux
NETHERLANDS	A Surinam - Belem A Antwerp - Rhine F Hague - Helgoland Bight <u>A Angola - Kalahari</u> A Goa - Circars
OTTOMANS	A Brazil - Matto Grosso A Jerusalem - Egypt A Bagdad - Persia A Izmir - Istanbul F Istanbul - Black Sea
PORTUGAL	<u>A Cape Colony - Kalahari</u> A Alaska - Vancouver A Lagos holds F Lisbon - Canaries F Melbourne - Coral Sea
RUSSIA	F St. Petersburg(sc) - Baltic Sea A Kiev - Lithuania A Moscow - Kiev A Omsk - Mongolia build A Vld - <u>A Vladivastok - Manchuria</u> F Tahiti - South Pacific Ocean
SPAIN	A Madrid - Aragon F Valencia - West Mediterranean Sea A Mexico - Texas (and the Alamo!) A Somalia - Ethiopia F Manila - Arafura Sea

This game's moves have been spelled out in full just to waste paper.
If perchance you are a novice in the reading of this game, you will
be disappointed to know that from the fall 1751 on, only abbreviations
will be used. Now that this page is full and at the bottom - turn the page.



Gunboat Colonia VI
1988Bgh - "Battlefield"
fall 1753

DEADLINE: Dec. 2nd, 1988

WHERE SPAIN IS/WAS, A VACCUUM IS CREATED - MANILA LATEST DRAW. KHAN GETTING A TAD TOUCHY. COULD IT BE THAT HIS NEIGHBOURS ARE JUST AS IRRITABLE WITH HIM?

summer 1753 - retreats
FRANCE A Sav-Sui. NETHERLANDS A Col-Pan.
fall 1753
AUSTRIA F GMe-Cub; A Lou-Fla; A Vir-Fla; F WPO-Mnl; F Pyn-Iwo;
F Mel-Gua; A Bav holds/dislodged (ret: Sui, Sil, Hes, Sax, OTB);
A Sav holds; F Nap s F Ion-WMS; A PpS holds; F Ion-WMS;
F Adr-Ion.
CHINA A Lao-Sia; A Chq-Sin; A Mon-Oms; A Sze-Tib; Sin-Tur; A Sib s
Mon-Oms; A Bma s A Sze-Tib; A Cam s A Lao-Sia; F Ctn-SCS;
F ECS s SoJ-Jap; F Kor-SoJ; F SCS-Mnl; F SoJ-Jar.
ENGLAND A Col holds/dislodged (ret: Ecu, OTB); A Ama s A Col; A Pru hold;
F Bar s F Nwy; F Nwy s F NwS-Nth; F NwS-Nth; F Iri-Lon;
A Nig s A Gag-Kam; A Fez s A Gab-Kam/dislodged (ret: Bnn, Nub, OTB)
A Gab-Kam; F Mls-Sum.
FRANCE A Mis-Ont; A Mas s F WAO-Vir/NSO; F WAO/Uno; F EAO-Azo;
F BBi-EAO; A Bur-Tou; A Agn-Mad; A Sui-Vei; A Tun holds;
A Num-Tog; F Dak-Gha.
NETHERLANDS A Pan-Col; F Vza s A Pan-Col; A Mns s A Pan-Col; F Swe-Nwy;
F Eng-Nth; F Hel s F Eng-Nth; A Rhi-Bav; A Han s A Rhi-Bav;
A Kam-Niq/ANNIH; A Ang-Gab; A Con s A Ang-Gab; A Ben-Nep;
F WIO-Niz; F Niz-Kha.
OTTOMANS F MAO-Ric; F Bah-Bra; A Bol-Arg; A Per s RUSSIAN A Oms holding;
F Bul(nc) holds; F Gre holds; A Afg-Sin; F EMS s A Egy;
A Egy/Uno; A Som s A Jer-Eth; F GAd s A Jer-Eth; F ArS s A Som;
F PnG s F ArS; A Jer-Eth; F Red c A Jer-Eth.
PORTUGAL A Ore-Cal; A Mta holds; F GAa-NPO; F SIO-Die; A Tan-Ken;
F SoS s A Tan-Ken; F Can-Azo; F Lag-Lis; F Ifn-Mor; A Val holds;
A Mad s A Val; F SPO-Tar; F Cor-Fij; F AfS-Mnl; F SWA-MAO.
RUSSIA F Mex(wc) holds; F Bal c A StP-Den; A Rum-Gal; A Fin-Swe;
A StP-Den; A Cri-Rum; A Oms holds.
SPAIN F Cal-Mex(wc); A Tex-Mex; A Ohi-Lou; F Gib-Val; A Lib-Fez;
F WMS s F Gib-Val/dislodged (ret: Lig, Alg, OTB); A Sud s A Lib-Fe;
A Ken-Eth/dislodged (ret: Nub, Ugu, OTB); F Bor-GSi.

Press wars continue with renewed vigour but signs of increased use of insults make them a little tedious.

OTTO-SlurWriter: The nature of the game of Diplomacy requires a player to mislead, lie, threaten or manipulate his opponents as part of the game. I, plead guilty to all of the above but as an individual, I resent the implications of your last press to the GM. It is one thing to insult, joke, or what have you, as part of the fun of the game, it's a completely different thing to imply I'm cheating in conjunction with the GM or that the GM is commenting on my behalf. I am offended.

AUS-World: It's time China's unrestricted growth was curbed just a little bit.

AUS-World: The Ottoman's a slimy scoundrel who sold his mother into slavery in her old age.

OTTO-World: I did not declare war on Portugal or the Netherlands and, since I would like to ally with China, I would never call him barbarian.

OTTO-World: It's amazing how many of you use my byline. I know you all would like to be me but sometimes we have to accept our short-comings.

POR-World: Hyatt's in here somewhere, I sense his style,

SPA-World: Stop picking on me!

World-RUS: We are all too self indulgent.

GM-World: I see that you spelt 'indulgent' correctly, very good.

COLONIA VI - GUNBOAT 1988Bgh "Battlefield" fall 1753 - supply centres

AUSTRIA	Bud, Fla, Haw, Tri, Vie , Vir, Nap, Gua, Lou, Bay, PpS, Wak, CUB, IWO, SAV.	SC 13 - build 1 or 2 depending on ret.
CHINA	Amo, Pek, San, Wuh, Sin, Kor, Ctn, Jap, Vla, Man, Mon, Tib, Tia, Cam, SIA, BMA.	SC 16 - build 3
ENGLAND	Ecu, Edi, Lon, Mla, Nig, Ire, Nwy, Sia , Pru, Fez , Con , Bma , KAM, SUM.	SC 10 - remove 1; even; build 1 dep. on ret.
FRANCE	Bdx, Dak, Par, Que, Tou, Ont, Say , Tbk, Mas, Tau, Num, VIE, TUN. Tol , Gita	SC 12 - build 3
NETHERLANDS	Ang, Ant, Goa, Hag, Sur, Riz , Dex , Mah, Zam, Col, Kam , Bel, Swe, Han, Uga*, Ben, Cey, VZA, BAV, GAB, CON, NEP, NIZ, KHA.	SC 20/21* - build 7/8*, room for 5
OTTOMANS	Bag, Bra, Ist, Izm, Jer, Bol, Per, Oma, Egy, Bul, Arg, Afg, Bah, Gre, Yem, RIC, SOM, ETH.	SC 18 - build 3
PORTUGAL	Ala, CpC, Lag, Lis, Mbo, Ore, Mad, Azo, Nat, NwZ, Van, Ifn, Val, Moz, Mal, NwG, Tah, MTA, DIE, KEN, MOR, TAR, FIJ.	SC 23 - build 8, room for 5, play short
RUSSIA	Kie, Mos, Oms, StP, Pol, Hon, Rum, MEX, DEN.	SC 9 - build 2
SPAIN	Mnl, Mex, Som, Tex, Tun, Sud, Bor, Eth, CAL, OHI, FEZ, UGA*.	SC 7/8* - build 1, even, remove 1 or 2 depending on retreats

*Uga - depending on SPANISH retreat, belongs to NETH or SPA.

Neutral supply centres: Cri, ~~Gna~~, Jav, Sam, ~~Tog~~, Vol.

The "Battlefield" story continues - more press. . .

AUS-POR: And what are your plans for the Pacific?

POR-AUS: No attacks were made on your centres. You have other imminent problems. We can work together.

POR-AUS: Please support F AfS to SCS as soon as you can.

POR-OTTO: I might help you against Neth/China if Austria and you help against France.

POR-AUS: See above.

OTTO-POR/AUS: If you two ally I want in!

CHI-POR: I would like to put a defensive line SW from NPO to AnO, through Haw, Pyn, WPO, Cor, Wdt and Timor. Any cutting of Austrian support throughout that area will be appreciated and rewarded.

POR-CHI: The 'Khan' is a little deaf. List the centres that you want.

CHI-OTTO: Of course someone is trying to provoke us into fighting each other. It's you, with your mindless forays into my territory. I told you not to attempt a move east of Afghanistan.

OTTO-CHI: Who are you warning? I will gladly push you into the sea if I get any more lip from you!

CHI-OTTO: You claim someone, through Black Press, is trying to stir up a war between us. I suppose, next you'll be saying that it wasn't you who ordered the attack on Sinkiang.

Peking-Freedom Fighters in Afghanistan: Hang on, help is on its way. In the meantime, we are shipping you the latest in muskets & cannons.

OTTO-CHI: I am not ranting & raving. I don't want a Chi/Neth/Port alliance. I want an OTTO/CHI alliance. You don't see me going past Afghanistan, do you?

CHI-OTTO: Do you really take me to be a fool?

CHI-OTTO: Who are you calling 'Barbarian', you mouldering heap of camel dung!

AUS-OTTO: It takes a Syphlitic no-mind not to know where China is going with his armies.

OTTO-AUS: Ionian is yours. I want to keep Greece. I built fleets because an army in Bulgaria is a constant worry to you.

OTTO-POR: Despite Black Press and confusion, I allow you to go to MAO unhindered. To reward me you appear to be positioning yourself to attack me in Arabian Sea and in South America. I am interested in an alliance but would lose interest under a concerted attack from you.

POR-OTTO: You note, 'Khan', that your centres were not attacked.

As China & Ottomans have had it out here, the rest of the world will be on next page.

GUNBOAT COLONIA VI 1988Bgh "Battlefield" fall 1753 press continued again

GM-All Press Readers: We'll now turn to the lighter side of this war - RUSSIA.

RUS-GM: No use screaming for help, how about letting me pay you or your kids to eliminate the moves of all my neighbours for a turn or two?

GM-RUS: There's a price on everything. You take the kids for a weekend and Trish will do the dirty work by filing the orders into the fireplace and I'll plead ignorance.

CHI-RUS: You had best ask for help in your prayers.

RUS-CHI: You won't move beyond Ural in MY territory, eh? That's because once you reach Ural it won't be MY territory anymore!!! It will be yours!!

GM-RUS: You got a point there ol' boy.

CHI-RUS: Well I, for one, am indulging myself.

OTTO-RUS: You will note Black Sea/Armenia/Caucasus are still neutral - one more time for support.

FRA-NETH/SPA/RUS/OTTO: This is an official call for an alliance to be formed to halt the aggressive tendencies of PORTUGAL and AUSTRIA. All of you should know that unless these powers, and CHINA, are defeated we shall all find ourselves without anything. Unite in a crusade against our enemies.

GM-RUS: Well, that's the good news. Now for the bad.

NETH-RUS: Can I ask why you decided to take Sweden? If it wasn't for me moving into Scandinavia, the ENGLISH would have taken StPet long ago.

GM-NETH: He didn't take StPete but he did leave one of his to occupy one of yours.

NETH-CHI: My move into Nepal was to get a build and at the same time move my army back into position to defend against the expected attack from our neighbour. I'll be vacating it in the spring.

CHI-NETH: Many thanks for your aid. You needn't worry about the rebels in Afghanistan, they will be supplied with arms and military advisors soon. Please use your existing two units to secure those centres south of Nepal (not inc.) and west of Burma (not inc.). I will go around that area to get further west. Please do not force me to fight you by building further armies in Goa.

NETH-CHI: Want to be "buddies" (fella), nudge, nudge, wink, wink, - we would make a cute couple.

OTTO-NETH: Sure! Try to confuse CHINA and hope he won't stomp the shit out of you. Be advised that I will support ANY anti-NETHERLAND action anywhere, any time. Chew on that Kids!

NETH-OTTO: We don't have to fight. CHINA should be stopped!

OTTO-NETH: I won't attack you in Asia if you don't attack me in Africa.

NETH-OTTO: Neutral, O.K.?

OTTO-AUS: I'll bet you could work a deal with RUSSIA against NETHERLANDS in Europe!

NETH-FRA: I hope you didn't do anything stupid. Your real enemy is AUSTRIA (& ENGLAND), not me. I've taken Bavaria to help you out. Hopefully you retreated A Sav-Sui and then moved on to Vienna. Also since I've managed to find two units to help you vs. AUSTRIA, how about you doing the same vs. ENGLAND?

NETH-FRA: In July issue, you promised help in a war against ENGLAND - well?? Where is it?? I'm waiting! Tell you what, I will go after PORTUGAL if you help.

FRA-NETH: My mistake. He won't eat you for dessert. He will scrape you off his shoe if OTTOMANS doesn't do it first.

OTTO-FRA: Thanks for the support into the MAO. It will be remembered. Khan.

OTTO-FRA: Support MAO to Canaries in spring and we can punish the scum. I did not ask for that support, some one is manipulating us. I took advantage of the situation. Death to Black Press writers. ((GM here - I'll agree to that!))

CHI-FRA: I hate to break this to you, but you're already a laughing stock, at least in this game. It's good to know that you can see the inevitable, however.

POR-FRA: Last chance for you bright boy!

FRA-POR: Any PORTUGUESE seen in the Eiffel Tower will be shot on sight. Same goes for the Azores


POR-FRA: Yelping???? *#!# you!!

NETH-POR: Great move to the South-west Atlantic Ocean.


ENG-POR: FRANCE is too smart to fall for your whining.

ENG-FRA: See ENG-POR. I am holding back the NETHERLAND menace.

SPA-POR: Why attack me just in Europe? Why not everywhere else? Why don't you attack me in other games I play too? Why stop there? Why don't you get me fired, huh? Why don't I just shoot myself, huh? Jerk!!! ((GM here: calm down a little, eh?))



CANADIAN DIPLOMACY ORGANIZATION



From The Chair:

CALL TO ELECTIONS

Well, we've got our fill of them, don't we? Federal, municipal, American and CDO committeeman's position. There are two names on the CDO ballot for the position of executive/committeeman. The term of office, so to say, will run from January 1, 1989 to December 31, 1991, which is for two years. To be eligible to vote you have to be a CDO member. To be a CDO member you have to subscribe to a Canadian Diplomacy zine. (If you're reading this you should be a member as it being sent out to Canadian publishers only!)

All ballots are to be sent to the returning officer by Dec. 16th. So vote today, don't wait. You should be able to separate this ballot from the rest of this zine as the Constitution of the CDO is on the reverse side. Sections 1 & 3 pertain to you the voter.

Ballot of -----
(name & signature): _____

For the position of committeeman, I would like to vote for . . .

- ☐ Claude Gautron
☐ Cal White

ballots to be sent to . . .

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